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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 1641

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM EAGR PDEV SOCI LA VM
SUBJECT: RURAL CONDITIONS IN THE VIENTIANE PLAIN

1. A LAO FARMER FROM BAN NA PHENG (LOCATED TEN KILO-
METERS FROM BAN KEUN IN THE VIENTIANE PLAIN) TOLD HIS
SON DECEMBER 14 THAT THE GOVERNMENT RECENTLY EXECUTED A
FARMER IN THAT VILLAGE FOR HIS "REACTIONARY THOUGHTS."
THE SOURCE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE
ANTI-GOVERNMENT SENTIMENT IN THE REGION BUT THAT THE
PEOPLE WERE AFRAID TO EXPRESS IT OPENLY OUT OF FEAR OF
EXECUTION AND IMPRISONMENT.

2. THE SOURCE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THERE WERE MANY
VIETNAMESE SOLDIERS STATIONED NEARBY AT PHU KHAO KHOUAI
WHO FREQUENTLY CAME TO THE VILLAGE TO PURCHASE FOOD
AND SUPPLIES.

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3. THERE IS LITTLE MORE THAN SALT SOLD IN THE GOVERN-
MENT STORE AT BAN NA PHENG. SOURCE REPORTED A SERIOUS
FOOD SHORTAGE IN THE AREA.

4. ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, THE GOVERNMENT IS FORCING
FARMERS TO CULTIVATE A WINTER CROP OF DRY RICE.
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